#### CALIFORNIA STATE PARK and RECREATION COMMISSION

Village Hall at Benbow Valley Resort & Golf Course 7000 Benbow Drive Garberville, California

#### Minutes of the Meeting · Friday, November 3, 2006

#### **COMMISSIONERS PRESENT**

Jack Baylis
Caryl Hart
Sophia Scherman
Acquanetta Warren
Paul Junger Witt, ACTING CHAIR AS DESIGNATED BY BOBBY SHRIVER

#### **COMMISSIONERS ABSENT**

Joseph Cotchett Clint Eastwood, vice Chair Bobby Shriver, Chair

#### STATE PARKS STAFF PRESENT

Ruth Coleman, DIRECTOR

Eileen Hook, STATE PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION STAFF

Louis Nastro, assistant to the state park and recreation commission

Paul Romero, CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR

Roy Stearns, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, COMMUNICATIONS

Bradly Torgan, GENERAL COUNSEL

Steve Horvitz, superintendent, north coast redwoods district

Wayne Woodroof, PLANNING DIVISION CHIEF

#### SPEAKERS REGISTERED/REPRESENTING

Fred "Coyote" Downing/Wailaki Tribe

Richard Gienger/Self

Bryce Gray/Self

Bart Gruzalski/Self

Ryan Henson/California Wilderness Coalition

Priscilla Hunter/Intertribal Sinkyone Wilderness Council

John Klimaszewski/Self

Cecelia Lanman/Self

Agnes Patak/Self

Lynne Paulson/Self

Hawk Rosales/Intertribal Sinkyone Wilderness Council

Mike Thompson/Self

Harry Vaughn/Self

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Legal notice having been given, this meeting of the California State Park and Recreation Commission was called to order at 9:07 a.m. by Commissioner Paul Witt, who had been designated Acting Chair by Com-

mission Chair Bobby Shriver. Chair Witt introduced the commissioners and State Parks staff who were present and announced the first agenda item.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 1:**

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MAY 12, 2006, MEETING IN SAN JUAN BAUTISTA

Chair Witt asked for a motion to approve the draft minutes of the May 12th, 2006 meeting in San Juan Bautista. Motion Commissioner Hart, second Commissioner Warren. Commissioner Baylis abstained as he was appointed to the Commission on October 20th, 2006 and was therefore not present at the May 12th meeting. Commissioners Hart, Scherman, Warren, and Witt voted to approve the minutes as submitted.

#### AGENDA ITEM 2:

#### CHAIR'S REPORT - RECOGNITION OF EMPLOYEE RETIREMENTS

Chair Witt asked Commissioner Caryl Hart to read the names of staff members who had recently retired from California State Parks. Commissioner Hart noted that the Commission enjoyed taking a few moments at each of its meetings to recognize the contributions of those who work for California State Parks. The Commissioner extended her compliments to all of the State Parks employees she had met, at every level, in her almost seven years as a member of the Commission, and she thanked those who were retiring for their many years of dedicated service to California State Parks:

Michael August, Park Operations	. 16 years, 4 months
Manuel Blundt, Acquisition & Development	. 17 years, 11 months
Gregory C. Booth, Central Valley District	. 27 years, 7 months
Richard A. Brandt, San Luis Obispo Coast	
Steven A. Carey, Oceano Dunes District	. 17 years, 1 months
Anita Duerksen-Fuller, Capital District	. 18 years, 1 months
Richard A. Figuerdo, Sierra District	. 25 years, 4 months
Allan R. Garrity, Ocotillo Wells District	
Robert G. Hare, Northern Service Center	. 23 years, 11 months
Gingerlou L. Henry, Training	. 33 years, 1 months
Violeta A. Hernandez, San Diego Coast District	. 7 years, 9 months
Rebecca Hickox, Administrative Services	. 33 years, 1 months
Christine J. Imhoff, Central Valley District	. 23 years, 1 months
Dennis E. Imhoff, Central Valley District	. 29 years
Larry Long, Park Operations	. 30 years
Louis E. Lopez, San Luis Obispo Coast	. 31 years, 7 months
Dean Madison, Diablo Vista District	. 35 years, 3 months
Claire A. Marhefka, Channel Coast District	. 29 years, 7 months
Joseph F. Martin, Northern Communication Center	. 10 years, 7 months
Edra L. Moore, Inland Empire District	. 16 years, 10 months
Rodney Ortiz, Santa Cruz District	. 33 years, 2 months
Irene Penning, Administrative Services	. 36 years
Carol S. Pruitt, Park Operations	. 28 years
John Schmill, Grants and Local Services	. 34 years, 3 months
Amelia A. Tipshus, Administrative Services	. 6 years, 9 months
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Mova L. Verde-Green, Capital District	•

Commissioner Hart noted that she had been somewhat overwhelmed by the dedication of these individuals, many of them with over 30 years of state service. Chair Witt added that the Commission wished to acknowledge these individuals for their service to California State Parks, and he wished them well in their future endeavors.

#### **AGENDAITEM 3:**

#### APPROVAL OF SPECIAL REDWOOD GROVES

Chair Witt asked Commissioner Sophia Scherman to read the special redwood grove proposals requested by Save-the-Redwoods League. Commissioner Scherman noted that her visit to Sinkyone Wilderness State Park had increased her awareness of the beauty of redwoods and the importance of preserving them. The Commissioner acknowledged the donors of the following groves:

Biba and Jon Parker Grove in Jedediah Smith Redwoods State Park

Jon and Biba Parker, donors

Hull and Maidment Family Grove in Navarro River Redwoods State Park

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hull, donors

A.S.W. Grundy Grove in memory of Doris (Ulrich) Grundy in Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park *Alfred Grundy*, donor

Haynie-Samuel Grove in Butano State Park Donald Haynie, donor

Smith Family Grove: Benjamin Steen Smith, Ellen Lott Smith and Bristlecone in Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park

Benjamin S. and Ellen L. Smith, donors

Barbara Knowles Anderson Memorial Grove in Jedediah Smith State Park Bruce C. Anderson, donor

Commissioner Scherman also read into the record a notation from Save-the-Redwoods League that the donors of the existing Stephen K. Schook Grove in Big Basin Redwoods State Park had relinquished their naming rights to this grove. This grove would be known as Grove Y-122 until further notice.

Chair Witt asked for a motion to approve these grove requests. Motion Commissioner Scherman, second Commissioner Hart. The commissioners voted unanimously to adopt the resolutions establishing these special redwood groves.

### AGENDA ITEM 4: DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Chair Witt introduced State Parks Director Ruth Coleman to present her Director's Report.

Director Coleman thanked the Chair and noted that the commissioners had already received a printed copy of her report. The Director added that copies of the report were also available to members of the public who wished to receive it. The Director then noted that she would be keeping her comments brief to allow State Parks General Counsel Bradly Torgan to provide an update on the proposed Sunrise Powerlink Project in Anza-Borrego Desert State Park.

Los Angeles State Historic Park – Director Coleman reported that the competition conducted to select a designer for the Los Angeles State Historic Park property was proceeding as planned and that the design advisory committee, chaired by Commissioner Paul Witt, would be meeting on November 4th, 2006 to make a selection from the three design competition finalists. The Director added that State Parks had been genuinely thrilled with the quality of the proposals that had been received, and that the final decision would be announced in a matter of weeks.

Sunrise Powerlink Project in Anza-Borrego Desert State park – State Parks General Counsel Bradly Torgan noted that the commissioners had received a memo on this subject in their packet for today's meeting, and that copies of this memo were also available to members of the public. Mr. Torgan then described the process that could lead to the construction of the Sunrise Powerlink project and the potential role of the Commission in these proceedings. He noted that there were two possible directions that the California Public Utilities Commission could take on a project of this nature. Mr. Torgan explained that under the Public Utilities Code the process would involve administrative hearings and would resemble court proceedings; State Parks would be an active party, the equivalent of a litigant in a court action. Mr. Torgan added that the Anza-Borrego Foundation and Institute and the California State Parks Foundation would also be active members. This process would allow State Parks, if desired, to present testimony and witnesses, and to cross-examine San Diego Gas & Electric's witnesses or others. Mr. Torgan explained that San Diego Gas & Electric had taken the position that an amendment to the Anza-Borrego Desert State Park General Plan would not be required to proceed with the Sunrise Powerlink project. Mr. Torgan informed the commissioners that State Parks disagreed strongly with this position and had provided evidence to the project's environmental consultants that both an amendment to the Anza-Borrego Desert State Park General Plan and redesignation of existing state wilderness would be required to proceed with the Sunrise Powerlink project as proposed. He noted that this evidence had also been presented to the California Public Utilities Commission. Mr. Torgan added that the project as proposed would require new construction in 73 acres of designated wilderness. He reminded the commissioners that both a general plan amendment and redesignation of existing wilderness would require approval by the State Park and Recreation Commission.

Mr. Torgan asked if there were any questions from the commissioners.

Commissioner Caryl Hart suggested that the Commission conduct a hearing to provide an opportunity for the public to express their opinions on the Sunrise Powerlink proposal. Commissioner Hart stated that redesignation of wilderness was an incredibly serious matter, in that there was no precedent for such an action; redesignation of lands designated as wilderness had never before occurred in California. Commissioner Hart suggested that a hearing be scheduled as soon as possible, in proximity to San Diego and Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, and she noted that after such a hearing she believed the Commission may wish to take a formal position on the Sunrise Powerlink project.

Mr. Torgan suggested that staff schedule a workshop for the Commission on this subject, noting that designating the meeting a workshop rather than a hearing would be more appropriate in that the Commission would not be taking action until the matter came before them formally in the Commission's role as a responsible agency. Though there was no action to be taken at this time, Mr. Torgan added that the Commission could, if desired, issue a statement regarding Sunrise Powerlink to the California Public Utilities Commission, given the State Park and Recreation Commission's role as a responsible agency.

Commissioner Acquanetta Warren asked Mr. Torgan to clarify that the California Public Utilities Commission was defined as the "lead agency" on the Sunrise Powerlink project. Mr. Torgan responded that the California Public Utilities Commission and the Federal Bureau of Land Management had been identified as the two lead agencies.

Commissioner Sophia Scherman noted that she believed this was a very important issue and that she supported Commissioner Hart's proposal to conduct a meeting to hear public testimony.

Chair Witt asked if there were any other comments or questions from the Commission. There were none.

Mr. Torgan noted that a motion from the Commission was not necessary to agendize a workshop on the Sunrise Powerlink project, and that staff would plan for a workshop on this subject at the Commission's next meeting in February 2007.

Chair Witt noted that if there were no further questions or comments on this subject he would introduce the next agenda item. There being none, the Chair introduced agenda item 5.

#### AGENDA ITEM 5: PUBLIC HEARING

Chair Witt opened the public hearing portion of the meeting at 9:26 a.m. The Chair briefly explained the process that would be employed for members of the public wishing to address the Commission at the meeting. Chair Witt requested that speakers register but noted that names or other information were not required for registration. The Chair explained that the Commission welcomed public comment, adding that speakers should please recognize the Chair's authority regarding conduct of the meeting, and noting that speakers would be limited to three minutes each.

Chair Witt then explained that because of the two items' close relationship to each other, agenda items 5A and 5B would be presented to the Commission together, but that the Commission would then consider each item separately for action and possible adoption of its proposed resolution. The Chair noted that after a brief presentation by staff the Commission would hear combined public testimony on both agenda item 5A and 5B. Chair Witt then introduced Wayne Woodroof, Chief of State Parks Planning Division, to make a brief presentation on the Preliminary General Plan & Draft Environmental Impact Report for Sinkyone Wilderness State Park.

#### ITEM 5A:

## Consideration and action on the Department of Parks and Recreation's recommendation for approval of the Preliminary General Plan and Draft EIR for Sinkyone Wilderness State Park

Mr. Woodroof noted that on the previous day the commissioners had participated in a briefing on the proposals for Sinkyone Wilderness State Park. He explained that the briefing had been conducted on-site at various locations in the park, and that he would now summarize the proposals of the general plan for the benefit of those in the audience today.

Mr. Woodroof explained that the general planning process for Sinkyone Wilderness State Park began with public meetings conducted in 1990. State Parks staff realized during this process that existing roads in the park would need to be removed and these areas restored to their natural condition before areas proposed as wilderness could be designated as such. He further explained that the excavating equipment required to accomplish this road removal/restoration could not be allowed in designated wilderness. These early planning efforts were therefore suspended until this restoration work could be completed.

Mr. Woodroof added that the road removal and habitat reconstruction work had now been completed and that public meetings on the general plan had resumed in 2001. The proposed general plan was issued for formal public review in June 2006, and the formal public comment period concluded in August 2006. Mr. Woodroof stated that during the public comment period California State Parks had received 12 comment letters from 10 individuals, noting that the commissioners had each received copies of these comments and State Parks' formal responses to them. He explained that some of the comments received resulted in staff recommended changes to the proposed general plan, that these changes had been presented to the Commission in a strikeout/underline format, and that the proposed resolution being recommended for adoption by the Commission today incorporated new language resulting from the response to comments.

Discussions that had taken place pertaining to access through proposed wilderness areas by existing county roads, specifically Usal Road and Briceland Road, were reviewed by Mr. Woodroof. He noted that these existing roads would be excluded from the designated wilderness, and he referred the commissioners to the park land use plan they had before them. Mr. Woodroof also reviewed other areas of concern, noting that a private property owner in the northeastern portion of Sinkyone Wilderness State Park had very recently demonstrated the existence of an easement on State Parks' land, and that staff was recommending that the access easement to this property also be excluded from the designated wilderness.

Mr. Woodroof also reviewed the issue of access to a parcel of coastal private property owned by Mr. John

Feliz. Mr. Woodroof explained that Mr. Feliz had submitted a written statement asserting that he had access through Sinkyone Wilderness State Park that would be closed by the proposed general plan. Mr. Woodroof added that State Parks requested that Mr. Feliz present evidence of any such existing easements, but that thus far no such evidence had been presented. He added that according to Mr. Hawk Rosales of the Intertribal Sinkyone Wilderness Council, Mr. Feliz had also stated that he had access across nearby Indian lands, and that the Council had also requested written evidence of Mr. Feliz, but that no such evidence had been presented to the Council. Mr. Woodroof stated that California State Parks believed the Sinkyone Wilderness State Park General Plan did not limit any legal rights Mr. Feliz may have pertaining to access to the property in question, and that the property in question appeared to be land-locked. Mr. Feliz would therefore have to request permission for future access from State Parks if desired.

Mr. Woodroof also addressed the request that a formal citizens advisory committee be established by California State Parks for Sinkyone Wilderness State Park. Mr. Woodroof noted that staff would not be recommending that a formal committee be created by State Parks, as the need for state-level approval and participation could later prove restrictive and counter-productive for such a group. State Parks would instead be recommending that local citizens establish their own committee, and Mr. Woodroof added that pages 3-32 and 3-33 of the Sinkyone Wilderness State Park General Plan provided goals and guidelines for promoting and maintaining open communication with the local community, park users, and neighbors.

Chair Witt asked Mr. Woodroof to clarify the potential complications of a state-formed citizens advisory committee.

Mr. Woodroof replied that state involvement could make it difficult to select committee members and set other parameters for the group, and he added that a local citizens advisory committee would be best served if it was created and managed by local citizen participants.

Chair Witt augmented Mr. Woodroof's comments by stating that California State Parks had a long and valued history of local cooperation as it related to Sinkyone Wilderness State Park, and that he expected that this would continue. Chair Witt asked if there were any further questions from the commissioners at this time, and, there being none, the Chair formally opened public comment on agenda items 5A and 5B. He then called 10 speakers on these items in the order they had registered.

After the last registered speaker, Chair Witt asked if there were any additional registered speakers or any unregistered speakers on these agenda items. There being none, Chair Witt closed public comment on agenda items 5A and 5B at 10:11 a.m. The Chair then asked if staff had any information to add in response to the public comments.

Mr. Woodroof stated that Richard Gienger, one of today's public speakers, had provided staff with suggested language to be added to the Sinkyone Wilderness State Park General Plan to clarify the means by which public input would continue in the future. Mr. Woodroof noted that staff had made some changes to Mr. Gienger's suggested language, and the changes were further clarified by Commissioner Caryl Hart. Mr. Woodroof stated that the following language would be added to the Sinkyone Wilderness State Park General Plan as Guideline: Communication 1: *The district shall continue its productive relationship with primarily locally-based citizen advisory groups. The district should meet at least once a year with these groups or as needed to provide necessary recommendations and consultation on park management issues*.

Mr. Woodroof then stated that he wished to respond to Mr. Bryce Gray's concerns and his own earlier comments regarding Mr. Gray's road being excluded from the proposed new wilderness areas. Mr. Woodroof noted that he had been informed that Mr. Gray had been granted a access permit by the State Parks district superintendent in 1979, but that the road in question had been incorrectly omitted from the maps in the Sinkyone Wilderness State Park General Plan. Mr. Woodroof recommended that the road in question be excluded from the proposed wilderness, adding that this would be made clear in the resolution before the Commission should it be adopted today.

Chair Witt recognized Commissioner Caryl Hart.

Commissioner Hart stated that she had been sincerely moved by the comments of the day's speakers, and by the efforts of local citizens to preserve local resources and Sinkyone Wilderness State Park. The Commissioner noted that this work represented a phenomenal accomplishment, and that everyone had much to celebrate with the adoption of the park's general plan. Commissioner Hart added that as a citizen of California and of the world, she wished to congratulate everyone who had been involved for their efforts.

Chair Witt recognized Commissioner Sophia Scherman.

Commissioner Scherman stated that she had had an extraordinary experience visiting Sinkyone Wilderness State Park. The Commissioner shared that while the Commission's party hiked to Bear Harbor, she had waited with the vehicles. While there, alone with her thoughts, the Commissioner reflected on her experiences in the park. Commissioner Scherman noted that she saw a single hawk hovering overhead – the only hawk she had seen on the trip. She added that Commissioners Hart and Warren had also shared restorative experiences that day in Sinkyone Wilderness State Park, and that she'd hoped the other commissioners had had similar experiences. She stated that she felt the adoption of the Sinkyone Wilderness State Park General Plan would be something everyone could be happy with, and she closed with a wish of "God bless you" in both English and Spanish to those who had worked so hard for this park.

Chair Witt noted that being the senior member of the Commission he had visited many parks. The Chair stated that he wished to echo Commissioner Hart's comments in that he had been profoundly moved by both the land and the people who had contributed so much to this park. He added that the land and the people were inseparable, and that those who had worked so hard for this park had done an extraordinary job. Chair Witt stated that green space, and particularly dedicated wilderness areas, were the soul of California, and that the state's citizens could not afford to lose an inch of this precious land.

Commissioner Scherman made a motion that the Commission adopt the resolution before it, with amendments and changes as specified, to approve the Preliminary General Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Report for Sinkyone Wilderness State Park. Second Commissioner Warren. The Commissioners voted unanimously to adopt the resolution to approve the Preliminary General Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Report for Sinkyone Wilderness State Park.

#### ITEM 5B:

Consideration and action on the Department of Parks and Recreation's recommendation to classify portions of Sinkyone Wilderness State Park, as identified in the Sinkyone Wilderness State Park Preliminary General Plan and Draft EIR, as a state wilderness subunit with the name Sinkyone State Wilderness

Chair Witt asked if there were any questions from commissioners on this agenda item or if staff had anything to add. There being no comments or questions, the Chair asked for a motion to adopt the resolution before the Commission to classify portions of Sinkyone Wilderness State Park, as identified in the Sinkyone Wilderness State Park Preliminary General Plan and Draft EIR, as a state wilderness subunit with the name Sinkyone State Wilderness. Motion Commissioner Hart, second Commissioner Scherman. The Commissioners voted unanimously to adopt the resolution to classify portions of Sinkyone Wilderness State Park, as identified in the Sinkyone Wilderness State Park Preliminary General Plan and Draft EIR, as a state wilderness subunit with the name Sinkyone State Wilderness

#### ITEM 5C:

#### **Consent Items**

Chair Witt introduced Agenda Item 5C, Consent Items. The Chair explained that if there were no objections the Commission could approve consent items all at once without discussion, adding that the commissioners had already received recommendations to approve the proposed concessions items from the

Commission's Concessions, Enterprise & Fiscal Committee. Chair Witt then asked if commissioners would like an item or items pulled from consent. There were no such requests. The Chair then asked if there were any registered or unregistered speakers on the consent items. There being none, the Chair asked for a motion to approve the Consent agenda items, 5C, I-IV. Motion Commissioner Scherman, Second Commissioner Hart. The commissioners voted unanimously to approve each of the following consent items as presented:

#### ITEM 5C-I:

## Determination that the following concession contracts are compatible with the classification and general plans of their respective units

- Wealthy Grower's Mansion, California Citrus State Historic Park
- Specialty Retail Concession (currently "Miner's Gem"), Old Town San Diego State Historic Park
- Golf course, food service, equipment sales, winter recreational facilities & services, Lake Valley State Recreation Area

#### ITEM 5C-II:

## Determination that the following concession proposals for the sale of alcoholic beverages are consistent with Commission policy:

- Wealthy Grower's Mansion, California Citrus State Historic Park
- Golf course, food service, equipment sales, winter recreational facilities & services, Lake Valley State Recreation Area

#### ITEM 5C-III:

Determination that the proposal for the sale of sale of beer and wine in conjunction with catered events at Angel Island State Park is consistent with Commission policy

#### ITEM 5C-IV:

Concurrence on the Director's appointment of Allison Campbell, Laura Densmore, Sherli Leonard, Steven Pastor and Carole Stadelbacher to the Board of Directors of the California Citrus State Historic Park Non-Profit Management Corporation

#### **AGENDA ITEM 6:**

#### **OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chair Witt asked if there were any speakers who wished to address the Commission on items other than those on the agenda. The Chair called five speakers:

Lynne Paulson, concerning Washoe Meadows State Park in El Dorado County near Lake Tahoe. John Klimaszewski, concerning Washoe Meadows State Park in El Dorado County near Lake Tahoe. Richard Gienger, concerning sudden oak death and fire management in state parks. Mike Thompson, concerning a species-specific approach to trail closures to livestock. Unidentified, concerning California Department of Forestry decisions regarding unmanned fire towers.

Chair Witt asked if staff would like to respond to any of the speakers in open public comment.

Wayne Woodroof, Chief of State Parks Planning Division, addressed the Chair. Mr. Woodroof responded to Richard Gienger's question regarding next steps related to the Sinkyone Wilderness State Park General Plan. Mr. Woodroof noted that staff would incorporate the changes made to the plan today to produce a final general plan that would then be made available to anyone who wished to review it.

Mr. Woodroof also responded to the two speakers who had expressed concerns related to Washoe Meadows State Park and the golf course at neighboring Lake Valley State Recreation Area. Mr. Woodroof

noted that the Upper Truckee River had been identified as a major contributor of undesirable silt into Lake Tahoe, and that the golf course at Lake Valley State Recreation Area was considered to be part of this problem. He explained that in response to the concerns over silting, a proposal was being developed to realign portions of the Upper Truckee River to reduce silting, adding that this proposal was being incorporated into a new general plan for Wahsoe Meadows State Park and a general plan amendment for Lake Valley State Recreation Area. Mr. Woodroof clarified that the proposed project did not involve an expansion of the golf course, but rather would consist of the relocation of several existing golf course holes to allow for realignment of the Upper Truckee River. He stated that today's speakers had been responding to a recent Notice of Preparation that had been issued to make citizens aware of the proposed project, and that at this time the public process was only just beginning. Mr. Woodroof added that public meetings would be conducted for these proposals, and that the proposed general plan and general plan amendment would ultimately be presented to the Commission for approval.

Bradly Torgan, State Parks General Counsel, addressed the Chair, reiterating that the public process pertaining to the general plans for Washoe Meadows State Park and Lake Valley State Recreation Area was in its earliest phase. Mr. Torgan noted that in response to the Notice of Preparation, State Parks had received a number of public comments recommending that an alternative that would eliminate the golf course be considered. Mr. Torgan explained that the feasibility of eliminating the golf course would be discussed, and that this subject would be considered in public as the project moved forward.

Chair Witt thanked staff and noted that there was an additional unregistered speaker. The Chair recognized Ryan Henson, who spoke concerning fire management in wilderness areas and federal "minimum tool required" law. The Chair then closed open public comment.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 8:**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Witt stated that he wished to turn the meeting over to Commissioner Sophia Scherman for adjournment.

Commissioner Scherman stated that over the last two days she had come to know California State Parks North Coast Redwoods District Superintendent Steve Horvitz, who had recently lost his beloved wife to illness. Commissioner Scherman noted that she had been touched by Superintendent Horvitz, and she recognized that many of those present at this day's meeting had known his wife and shared his loss. The Commissioner asked that today's meeting be adjourned in her honor, and a brief moment of silence was observed. Commissioner Scherman then thanked the Chair and moved that the meeting be adjourned. Second Commissioner Hart. The meeting was adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

These minutes were approved by the California State Park and Recreation Commission on May 4, 2007, at its duly-noticed public meeting in Sebastopol, California.					
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Louis Nastro Assistant to the Commission For Ruth Coleman, Director California Department of Parks and Recreation Secretary to the Commission					

#### DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Ruth Coleman, Director

# Meeting of the CALIFORNIA STATE PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION Village Hall at Benbow Valley Resort & Golf Course, 7000 Benbow Drive, Garberville Friday, November 3, 2006 - 9:00 a.m.

#### **AGENDA of the MEETING**

- 1. Approval of minutes of the May 12th, 2006 meeting in San Juan Bautista
- 2. Chair's Report/Employee Retirements
- 3. Approval of Special Redwood Groves requested by Save-the-Redwoods League
- 4. Director's Report
- 5. Public Hearing
  - A. Consideration and action on the Department of Parks and Recreation's recommendation for approval of the Preliminary General Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for Sinkyone Wilderness State Park
  - B. Consideration and action on the Department's recommendation to classify portions of Sinkyone Wilderness State Park, as identified in the Sinkyone Wilderness State Park Preliminary General Plan/Draft EIR proposed for adoption on November 3, 2006, as a state wilderness subunit with the name Sinkyone State Wilderness
  - c. Consent Items\* (reflecting staff recommendations)
    - Determination that the following concession contracts are compatible with the classification and general plans of their respective units:
      - Wealthy Grower's Mansion, California Citrus State Historic Park
      - Specialty Retail Concession (currently "Miner's Gem"), Old Town San Diego State Historic Park
      - Golf course, food service, equipment sales, winter recreational facilities & services, Lake Valley State Recreation Area
    - II. Determination that the following concession proposals for the sale of alcoholic beverages are consistent with Commission policy:
      - Wealthy Grower's Mansion, California Citrus State Historic Park
      - Golf course, food service, equipment sales, winter recreational facilities & services, Lake Valley State Recreation Area
    - III. Determination that the proposal for the sale of sale of beer and wine in conjunction with catered events at Angel Island State Park is consistent with Commission policy
    - IV. Concurrence on the Director's appointment of Allison Campbell, Laura Densmore, Sherli Leonard, Steven Pastor and Carole Stadelbacher to the Board of Directors of the California Citrus State Historic Park Non-Profit Management Corporation
- 6. Open Public Comment (on subjects other than the above agenda items)
- 7. Adjourn
- \* The Commission may approve consent items all at once without discussion. Any person requesting an opportunity to be heard with regard to consent items must complete a Speaker Registration Form (names are not required) prior to the announcement at the meeting of agenda item 5C. If such a request is made, the item(s) in question shall be pulled from the consent list for discussion and/or public comment.

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